



## Senate

General Assembly

**File No. 152**

*January Session, 2001*

Substitute Senate Bill No. 274

*Senate, April 9, 2001*

The Committee on Public Safety reported through SEN. PENN of the 23rd Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

**AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO STUDY A  
REHABILITATION SUBCODE TO THE STATE BUILDING CODE.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1       Section 1. (a) There is established a task force to study the need for a  
2       rehabilitation subcode to the State Building Code. The task force shall  
3       examine (1) the current requirements for compliance with the code for  
4       rehabilitation projects, (2) the impact of State Building Code  
5       requirements on the costs of rehabilitating structures, (3) alternatives  
6       to compliance with the code that are currently available, and (4)  
7       studies at the national level affecting the adoption of rehabilitation  
8       subcodes.

9       (b) The task force shall consist of the following members:

10       (1) Two appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives,  
11       one of whom shall be a representative of a state-wide association of  
12       home builders;

13       (2) Two appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate, one  
14 of whom shall be a representative of a state-wide association of  
15 realtors;

16       (3) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of  
17 Representatives, who shall be a representative of a large municipality;

18       (4) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate, who shall be  
19 a representative of a medium or small municipality;

20       (5) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of  
21 Representatives, who shall be a representative of owners of  
22 multifamily buildings;

23       (6) One appointed by the minority leader of the Senate, who shall be  
24 a representative of a nonprofit housing developer;

25       (7) The Commissioner of Public Safety, or the commissioner's  
26 designee; and

27       (8) The Director of the Office of Protection and Advocacy for People  
28 with Disabilities, or a designee.

29       (c) Any member of the task force appointed under subdivision (1),  
30 (2), (3), (4), (5) or (6) of subsection (b) of this section may be a member  
31 of the General Assembly.

32       (d) All appointments to the task force shall be made no later than  
33 thirty days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy shall be  
34 filled by the appointing authority.

35       (e) The speaker of the House of Representatives and the president  
36 pro tempore of the Senate shall select the chairpersons of the task force  
37 from among the members of the task force. Such chairpersons shall  
38 schedule the first meeting of the task force, which shall be held no later  
39 than sixty days after the effective date of this section.

40 (f) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the  
41 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public  
42 safety shall serve as administrative staff of the task force.

43 (g) Not later than January 1, 2002, the task force shall submit a  
44 report on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing  
45 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
46 relating to public safety, in accordance with the provisions of section  
47 11-4a of the general statutes. The task force shall terminate on the date  
48 that it submits such report or January 1, 2002, whichever is earlier.

49 Sec. 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2001.

**PS**            **JOINT FAVORABLE SUBST.**

The following fiscal impact statement and bill analysis are prepared for the benefit of members of the General Assembly, solely for the purpose of information, summarization, and explanation, and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either House thereof for any purpose:

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**OFA Fiscal Note**

**State Impact:** Potential Minimal Cost

**Affected Agencies:** Department of Public Safety, the Office of Protection and Advocacy for People with Disabilities and Legislative Management

**Municipal Impact:** None

**Explanation****State Impact:**

To the extent that the members of the General Assembly are appointed to this task force, Legislative Management may incur a minimal cost. A total cost of less than \$2,000 may result from mileage reimbursement to legislators in traveling to and from task force meetings. Legislators are currently reimbursed 30 cents per mile. Considering that legislators may be traveling to the Capitol on other legislative business, any additional cost due to an increased number of reimbursed trips could be handled within the anticipated budgetary resources of the department. In addition, due to the increased responsibilities to the legislative administrative staff assigned to the task force, a reallocation of workload may result.

The commissioner of the Department of Public Safety (DPS), or his designee, is one of the members of the task force. The Office of the State Building Inspector within DPS is responsible for promulgating

and administering the provisions of the Connecticut Building Code. Both the DPS and the Office of Protection and Advocacy, as members of the task force, will incur minimal additional costs for its participation that can be absorbed within its existing appropriations.

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**OLR Bill Analysis**

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**COMMITTEE ACTION**

Public Safety Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 22      Nay 0